

2024 Midwest Regional Sustainability Summit: Call for Artist Submissions



Local artists of all ages are invited to submit proposals for artworks, as well as pre-made original artworks to be featured at the [2024 Midwest Regional Sustainability Summit](#) with the intention of displaying the deeply intrinsic intersections between art, the environment, and social justice.

[Fill Out This Form To Submit](#)

About the Summit: The Midwest Regional Sustainability Summit brings together 600 passionate and visionary leaders to share inspiring, forward-thinking, and solution-oriented ideas that propel us toward a healthier, more resilient, sustainable, and equitable future.

Join Fortune 500 powerhouses, innovative entrepreneurs, government officials, sustainability directors, academic, non-profit, and community leaders committed to solving some of the region's toughest environmental problems while creating a positive economic impact.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMISSIONS

Thematic Topics

From Vision to Action

We find ourselves at a critical juncture for collective action as we work to address the global and local impacts of the climate crisis. We can and must bring the energy and spirit of collaboration to implement solutions that advance mitigation, adaptation, and climate justice.

Last year's Summit theme focused on imagining visionary and inspiring possibilities that inform, empower, and motivate our actions to create a more vibrant, equitable, and thriving region. This year, building from a place of hope and renewed resilience, we will focus on aligning our collective efforts to move from vision to action.

The climate challenge and new opportunities invite us to chart the course for a great future together. With the right combination of planning, persistence, and partnerships, the future we envision is within our grasp. Climate action is occurring at all levels of government, business, academia, non-profits, advocacy groups, and within our neighborhoods. Across all systems and actions, there is a role for everyone to make an impact!

The Midwest Regional Sustainability Summit serves as a spark for connecting and learning together, deepening our resolve, and celebrating collaborative climate solutions as we each find our place in the movement to secure a resilient, equitable, and thriving future.

Learn more about our 2024 Keynote speaker, Jacqueline Patterson!
<https://www.midwestsustainabilitysummit.org/2024>

We invite visual or performance art proposals that open our minds and hearts to envision what is possible in a variety of climate-related issue areas:

- Healthy & Resilient Communities
- Business & Green, Circular economy
- Government & Policy
- Healthy, High-Performing Infrastructure
- Active Transportation, Public Transit & Micromobility
- Resilient Local Food Systems
- Climate Justice, Equity and Inclusion
- Green Workforce Development
- Emergency Preparedness

Types of Artwork Accepted

Spoken Word

- Poetry

Performance Arts

- Interpretive
- Dance
- Theater

Visual Arts

- 2D
 - Drawing
 - Painting
- 3D
 - Sculpture
 - Mixed Media

Artwork Details

Displays will be made without any sort of advanced modes or methods of installation, therefore works must be able to be displayed considerably easily.

Spoken Word

- Poetry
 - No longer than 2 to 5 minutes

Performance Arts

- Interpretive, Dance, Theater
 - No longer than 5 to 10 minutes

Visual Arts

- 2D; Drawing, Painting
 - No larger than 4' x 6' x 4'
 - Must be able to stand on an easel or on its own, no wall hangings
- 3D; Sculpture, Mixed Media
 - No larger than 4' x 6' x 4'
 - Must be able to stand on its own or on a small table, no wall hangings

Premade Works and Proposals Submissions

Choose one of the following options of approach in order to submit your work.

Premade Work Submissions (Up to 5 images)

- Premade works that are submitted must be made within the past 4 years
- Premade works must be submitted with thorough description of work(s)
- Premade works, if accepted and dropped off, must meet the previously submitted representation of the piece

Artwork Proposal Submissions (Up to 5 images)

- Proposal submissions must be sufficiently created over the course of the submission period which is three months, (January 1 to March 31, 2023)
- Proposal submissions must be made with a thorough description of proposed work
- Proposal submissions must be followed up with sufficiently considered proper representative evidence of the artwork being in fruition prior to the submission deadline in order to be considered for acceptance

County Location of Artists

Artists must be based within a 150 mile radius of Cincinnati.

Timeline

- *Submission Opening:* November 1, 2023
- *Submission Deadline:* January 15, 2024
- *Artist Selections Notified:* March 1, 2024
- *Drop-Off Date:* May 1, 2024
- *Pick-Up Date:* End of day, May 2, 2024

Words on Displaying Work at the Summit

Artists that sign their name to display their work at the summit will agree to the following statements.

Statements

- Green Umbrella and other partners of the Summit will not be held responsible for potential damages that could occur upon the works displayed.
- No insurance will be offered for the works displayed at the Summit.
- Drop-off and pick-up are at the responsibility of the owner of each artwork to fulfill on time on their own volition.

Additional Details

Artist Demographic

- No set age requirement, all ages
- Inclusive of all demographics
- Diverse groups encouraged to apply
- No experience required (art, work, education)

Summit Attendance

- Artists are not required to attend the summit, but it is encouraged
- Discounted tickets available for artists that desire to attend
- Artist may attend the closing reception for free even if they did purchase Summit tickets
- Attendance is only required for drop-off and pick-up of pieces

Any Questions?

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